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SUBJECT: EXPANSION OF GENEVA CONFERENCE

1. CAIRO PRESS APRIL 4 CONTINUES HIGHLIGHT "IMPORTANCE" OF ENLARGING PARTICIPATION AT GENEVA CONFERENCE. AKHBAR EDITORIAL NOTES SADAT STRESSED TO CODEL O'NEILL THAT PARTICIPANTS SHOULD INCLUDE STATES BORDERING ON ISRAEL, WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, AND NON-ALIGNED STATES. AHRAM LEAD EDITORIAL SAYS EXPANSION IS NECESSARY TO INSURE CONFERENCE IS NOT ARENA FOR POLARIZATION BUT RATHER ONE IN WHICH TO ATTAIN SETTLEMENT ACCEPTABLE TO ALL SECTORS OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, SINCE ALL WORLD HAS INTEREST IN ERASING CAUSES OF TENSION IN MIDDLE EAST. AHRAM ALSO POINTS OUT EGYPT HAS ENDEAVORED TO REMOVE YET ANOTHER OBSTACLE ON ROAD AT GENEVA BY SEEKING SOLVE PROBLEM OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PALESTINIAN REPRESENTATIVE AT GENEVA. THIS COULD BE DONE

BY VESTING THIS AUTHORITY IN ARAB LEAGUE SECRETARY GENERAL AND BY INCLUDING LEBANON AND JORDAN.

- 2. ACCORDING TO PRESS, SADAT HAS PREPARED PERSONAL MESSAGES TO ALL OAU MEMBERS AND TO ASIAN AND EAST EUROPEAN HEADS OF STATES. REPORTEDLY, MESSAGES THANK LEADERS FOR THEIR JUST STAND ON BEHALF ARAB RIGHTS AND EXPLAIN CURRENT ME DEVELOPMENTS AND NECESSITY OF RECONVENING GENEVA CONFERENCE. FAHMY APRIL 3 DELIVERED SIMILAR MESSAGES TO AMBASSADORS OF YUGOSLAVIA, INDIA, FRANCE AND BRITAIN. MINISTER ALSO RECEIVED AMBASSADORS OF ROMANIA, UGANDA AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA.
- 3. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH UK AND FRANCE HAVE RECEIVED OFFICIAL GOE REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN GENEVA CONFERENCE, WE ARE NOT AWARE THAT SIMILAR SPECIFIC REQUESTS HAVE BEEN CONVEYED TO INDIA AND YUGOSLAVIA. YUGOSLAV EMBOFF TOLD US APRIL 3 THAT MESSAGE HANDED TO HIS AMBASSADOR BY FAHMY DEALT ONLY WITH GENERAL ROUNDUP OF RECENT EVENTS AND NECESSITY FOR RECONVENING GENEVA CONFERENCE. YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR SUBSEQUENTLY CONFIRMED TO CHARGE THAT MESSAGE DID NOT MENTION YUGOSLAV PARTICIPATION.
- 4. UK EMBOFF TELLS US UK AMBASSADOR WAS FIRST APPROACHED BY FAHMY ON POSSIBILITY UK PARTICIPATION RIGHT AFTER FAHMY RETURNED FROM ASWAN. AS OF APRIL 3, HOWEVER, UK EMBASSY WAS UNAWARE OF OFFICIAL GOE REQUEST FOR ANY NON-ALIGNED STATES PARTICIPATION. IN FACT, LIKE US, THEY HAD FIRST READ OF POSSIBILITY IN APRIL 2 LOCAL PRESS.

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